Guerra Trucking Inc.

June 20, 2019

Department of Public Health
Attn: Environmental Permitting and Inspections
333 South State Street, Room 200
Chicago, IL 60604
envcomments@cityofchicago.org

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RE: Rules for Recycling Facilities

To whom it may concern:

My name is Juan Guerra, Jr. and I own and operate a MBE trucking company that operates within the City of Chicago. I have been in business for 12 years.

The proposed rules and regulations regarding Recycling Facilities in the City of Chicago will cause undue harm to small and minority-owned Chicago trucking and construction companies, and the developments and projects they serve. Our concern is that these rule changes may cause companies that we serve to move outside of the City of Chicago, and as a result, it will reduce the work for MBE owned companies such as mine.

Longer hauls take our trucks outside of the City, creating more traffic and impacts from normal economic activity, reducing the work each truck can perform, which in turn puts more trucks on the road for each job. It is counter-intuitive in a City with recycling mandates and local-manufacturing bid credits to regulate beneficial recycling facilities due to perceived impacts from recycling businesses appropriately located in Planned Manufacturing Districts.

Our trucks frequently haul debris from, and recycled products to, construction projects in the City of Chicago who utilize the recycling activity to meet the City's goals for sustainability and green infrastructure. If these rules are implemented to regulate activity beyond standard IEPA requirements, these businesses will be forced to leave the City for more friendly business climates; losing the City high-paying local jobs.

Sincerely,

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